

# THE SIERRA MADRE NEWS

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## WATER ISSUE UP TONIGHT

### STOCK VOTE TO BE TAKEN

Question of Selling the Plant to the City Will Be Decided by Stockholders of the Company

Whether or not the water plant shall be sold to the city for \$96,000 is the question to be decided at tonight's meeting of stockholders of the Sierra Madre Water Company. The meeting is a special one, called for the purpose of allowing the stockholders to pass upon the question. A two-thirds vote of the stock will be required to authorize the sale.

Little or no opposition to the sale is heard. If the proposition falls through it will be because there has been opposition quietly at work or because of the indifference of stockholders who fail to attend or send proxies. A large number of proxies have been placed in the hands of officers and directors of the company who will vote that stock in favor of the sale to the city. In case the sale is authorized by the stockholders, the city trustees will proceed immediately with the proposition to issue \$100,000 worth of municipal bonds to take over the plant at the price named and furnish a small working capital.

The action taken by the stockholders at tonight's meeting will not be final on the part of the company, but will have to be ratified at a later meeting, called in the regular manner. This will be held before the city undertakes the bond election proceedings, if the contention of City Attorney Madden and Attorney Hewitt is sustained.

So far no basis of charging for irrigating service has been reached. And it is not likely that the large stockholders would authorize the sale of the plant to the city until assured that they will be given full protection under the new arrangement. It is likely that this matter will come up for discussion at tonight's meeting. And until the final consent of the stockholders to the sale is given the city trustees are unwilling to put the city to the expense of a bond election, lest the money be wasted in the event that the sale might later be repudiated by the stockholders.

While practically all the large irrigators are willing to see the sale carried out provided they are assured of protection, there are a few holders of large blocks of stock who use little or no water for irrigating or any other purpose who seem doubtful as to how to vote. On the one hand they have a chance to convert their holdings into ready money at a fair figure. On the other hand they have the prospect of increasing annual assessments to meet the cost of maintenance, betterments and extensions which will necessarily follow an increase in population and the number of domestic consumers. And in the latter event, unless the company

## WHAT IS YOUR ALIBI?

Anybody with a job lot of alibis could have done a thriving business in Sierra Madre this week. Most everybody had to have one and some eminently respectable citizens found themselves rumaging around last Tuesday morning to find some old, familiar alibi they had not used for years. It was a choice lot that was displayed. The reason for it?

Well, nobody seems to know much about it but an exhibition of near-pugilism was pulled off in Sierra Madre Monday evening, at the blacksmith shop or some other building on East Central Avenue. But two people have since been found who would admit having attended. One of them was one of the principals who applied next morning to an accident insurance agent to find out if he could collect anything for the damages he had sustained in the encounter, on the strength of an accident policy he recently bought. The other was the deputy sheriff who reported the event a few days later for one of the Los Angeles papers.

One bloodthirsty sport who had a very fancy alibi framed up guessed there were about thirty-five paid admissions present to see the miniature demonstration of what a terrible thing a race war would be. For it had one point of similarity to a Jeffries-Johnson battle. And if there is anything in precedent, it is up to Jeffries to prepare to bite the dust while his black opponent carries off the long end of the purse.

For some unaccountable reason this paper was not favored with press passes so no authentic report of the battle can be given. But judging by the gossip of some of the aforesaid gentlemen who have carefully provided themselves with alibis, it would be difficult to tell which was fractured in the most places—the Queensbury rules or the California law prohibiting prize fighting or attending prize fights.

The real fun in connection with the event began next morning when these bloodthirsty sports began to enlarge in their own imaginations upon the desperate character of the crime they had committed and to wonder how liable they were to falling into the clutches of the law. A word here and a josh there served to give all kinds of rumors the wings of the wind and within a very short time the principals and a good many other people could see warrant-laden officers approaching from all directions—in their own imaginations. They have now begun to feel a little disappointed that the city prosecuting officer seemed to regard the matter as a case for the county district attorney's office to bring to the attention of the grand jury, instead of taking it up out here. Apparently they are doomed to sit on the anxious seat awhile.

should be re-organized as a profit-earning corporation, there would be no income from the stock. It looks like risking a lot of hard cash in a doubtful speculation for such stockholders to oppose the transfer.

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## PUBLICITY FUND GROWS

### More Donations Coming In for Board of Trade Advertising Campaign

Subscriptions reaching a total of \$367 had been received by the Board of Trade advertising committee up to last evening. Most of this is in amounts of \$10 or larger. There are ten \$25 subscriptions and the committee would like to see as many more of them. The small number of persons who have contributed the first \$367 and the fact that a large number of citizens and business men have not yet been approached on the subject have caused the committee to hope that the original amount of \$500 which they started out to secure may be greatly exceeded.

## FRED NEEDLES PASSES AWAY

### Well Known Young Man Succumbs After Long Siege of Illness

There was a general feeling of sadness in Sierra Madre when the death of Fred Needles was reported last Sunday morning. It had been known for some time that he was very low and that the end might be expected at any time. Simple funeral services were held in the afternoon at the Lima Street residence, Rev. Dr. Campbell being in charge, and interment was made at the Sierra Madre cemetery.

In the two years during which he had spent most of the time in Sierra Madre Mr. Needles had made a large number of friends who admired him for his genial, courteous manner and fine personality. He was a young man of sterling character, of a kind the world can ill afford to lose just at the time they should be beginning the best and most useful years of life.

During most of his stay in Sierra Madre he has been accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Virginia Needles, who has the sympathy of a large circle of friends in her bereavement.

## FRANCHISE IS UP FOR SALE

### IT MAKES GOOD READING

Terms Under Which the Franchise Will Be Granted Are Fully Specified—Date of Sale March 12

At last there is an antidote for the doubting Thomases who have said at every step of the way that we would never have gas in Sierra Madre. In this issue of the News the city clerk begins to advertise for sale a gas franchise which will be disposed of to the highest responsible bidder. The date of the sale will be March 12.

The notice of sale of franchise will make good reading for you when you can find a little idle time. It specifies very fully the terms of the franchise which will be sold and under which an outside corporation will be allowed to come into this city.

That there will be at least two bids for the franchise seems assured. One of the bidders expects to begin work on the system if successful in getting the franchise, just as soon as the necessary materials can be secured and to be delivering gas within four months at the outside after securing the franchise. All of which sounds mighty good to a lot of people who have been wishing for fuel gas, lo, these many moons.

## PASADENA DEFEATS WATER BONDS

Pasadena again voted on the question of municipal ownership of the water plants Wednesday and the proposition was defeated. Though receiving a considerable majority of the votes cast, the necessary two-thirds were not secured for the plan. A peculiar feature of the situation was the fact that there was very little professed opposition to municipal ownership, the opposition arising from persons who opposed the methods of procedure outlined by the city administration. The problem over there was complicated by the existence of several separate companies which serve different sections of the city. There seemed to be a general hope that Pasadena might secure Owens river water from Los Angeles upon completion of the aqueduct. But they have been informed that this could not be had at any price by Pasadena unless the city owned the distributing system. Apparently they will have to worry along with the present unsatisfactory conditions.

## SIERRA MADRE RAINFALL

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1909	
October .....	.82
November .....	2.72
December .....	11.24
1910	
January 1.....	3.10
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### WATCHING THE COMET

Comet "A 1910" has been attracting the attention of many of our people during the early evenings of this week. The celestial visitor is making what is, so far as known, its first visit to our part of the heavens and has been visible low in the western sky from soon after sunset till the comet went below the horizon soon after six o'clock. It has been discovered since the first of the year and its path does not coincide with that of any comet heretofore recorded. Consequently scientists have not yet decided whether it is a comet of the ordinary type or a celestial wanderer which has only recently strayed into our solar system and become visible for the first time to the inhabitants of our planet. If it is a comet of the ordinary type it must have a remarkably long period in which it makes its circuit of the sun so that its last appearance was made before men had begun to make careful records of the orbits and appearances of the comets. The name "A 1910" well illustrates the system of nomenclature used for comets by astronomers. Instead of giving them the name of their discoverers as was formerly done, they are catalogued according to the year of their discovery and those discovered in any given year are labelled alphabetically in their order of discovery.

Almost daily one picks up a newspaper telling of observers somewhere seeing Halley's comet and this comet "A 1910" has been mistaken for Halley's comet by many who were uninformed as to the present position of the latter, which has not yet become visible to the unaided eye. The usual statement regarding Halley's comet in such articles is that it is "now headed directly toward the earth," or something else equally misleading and calculated to scare the uninformed. As a matter of fact Halley's comet and the earth are not even headed toward the same side of the sun. The earth must cover almost half its orbit and the two will pass on opposite sides of the sun before making their closest approach to each other sometime next May. At that time they will be separated by something like fifteen million miles, which would require at least two jumps to effect a passage from one to the other.

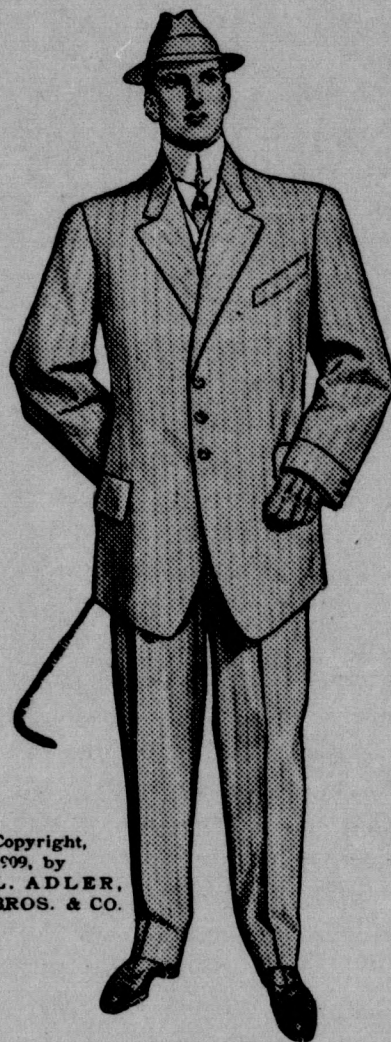
A certain sergeant was drilling a dozen recruits and after a few days' drilling and teaching he found that he had not made any impression on them whatever. He decided to tell the tale, which ran as follows. "When I was a boy my mother bought me a dozen wood soldiers, which I drilled and tried to instruct, but without any result, of course. Then I lost them one by one, and now I have found you again, you wooden duffers!"

At a fire recently a brave fireman came gasping and panting from the burning building with his beard and eyebrows singed in the flames. Under one arm he carried a small but heavy box, which he deposited in a place of safety with the air of a man who had saved a box of government bonds from destruction. On opening the box it was found to contain six bottles of a new patent fire extinguisher.

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## 5th Birthday Sale

**O**UR fifth business birthday is drawing nigh, and one of the annual items of our birthday program is stock-taking.



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YOU THAT IF YOU HUR-  
RY, THERE IS YET TIME  
FOR YOU TO GET A NEW  
SUPPLY PRINTED AT THE  
NEWS PRINTER.**Brief Items of Interest**Miss Lucile Larkey is spending the  
week in Los Angeles.Mr. Hamilton Swan of Topeka,  
Kansas, was a week end guest at the  
Caley home.Mr. Homer Needles of Muskogee,  
Oklahoma, is spending some time  
with his mother, Mrs. Virginia  
Needles.J. V. Barstow of Long Beach will  
begin soon the erection of a residence  
on his lots just west of Baldwin on  
the north side of Carter Avenue.Mrs. W. E. Rhea left on Sunday  
morning for Memphis, Tenn., where  
the remains of her lamented husband  
will be laid to rest.Mrs. Paul Adams and little daugh-  
ter will sail soon for Honolulu where  
they will join Dr. Adams who is  
stationed there in the government  
service.A. S. Mead reports the following  
sales: Lot 33, Hotel Tract, Mrs. E.  
N. Emerson to Marie Moravec;  
west ½ of lot 24, Park Manor, Miss  
Mae Campbell to S. R. and Gertrude  
M. Winter; east ½ of lot 9, Hawks'  
addition, Lewis Newcomb to William  
McCullough of Long Beach.Owing to her hurried departure for  
the east Mrs. W. E. Rhea was unable  
to attend to the settlement of all her  
business affairs here and has left  
them in the hands of Miss Gertrude  
Cook. All persons having accounts  
with Mrs. Rhea are requested to  
communicate with Miss Cook.City Tax Collector Lehmer has been  
doing his annual declamatory stunt  
at the front door of the City Hall this  
week, offering for sale to the highest  
bidder all property on which taxes  
have been allowed to go delinquent.  
He has never had a large audience  
but occasionally an appreciative lis-  
tener happened along.Church of the Ascension (Episco-  
pal), the Rev. Dr. George H. Camp-  
bell, rector. Sexagesima Sunday.  
Sunday School and Bible class 9:45  
a. m.; morning prayer and sermon  
11 a. m., subject of sermon "The  
Apostolic Rite of Confirmation—Its  
Motive." Evening prayer and ser-  
mon 7:30 o'clock. All are cordially  
invited.Mrs. Elizabeth Borglum entertain-  
ed last Sunday with a charming  
luncheon in honor of Judge and  
Madam Ross. Madam Ross was  
Madam Ida Hancock, owner of the  
now celebrated LaBrea ranch where  
the wonderful fossilized remains of  
prehistoric animals are found. Other  
Los Angeles guests were Mr. and Mrs.  
W. H. Housh, Mr. Anthony Ander-  
son, art critic of the Los Angeles  
Times. Sierra Madre guests were  
Captain and Mrs. J. A. Osgood and  
Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Camp. The  
luncheon was given in the big studio  
where the guests lingered long enjoy-  
ing the bright talk of Madam Ross,  
the witty stories of Mrs. Osgood and  
the others. Later all sat around the  
stone fire place in the large drawing  
room enjoying the glowing fire and  
interesting conversation. Here they  
were joined by Mr. Charles Austin,  
the artist. All were loth to leave and  
voted it a most enjoyable afternoon.Mrs. DeBell of Oakland has been a  
guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pegler  
this week.Mrs. Virginia Needles wishes to ex-  
press her thanks for the many kind-  
nesses extended to her in her recent  
bereavement.Mrs. Paul Adams entertained a few  
friends informally on Monday even-  
ing complimentary to Mrs. Roland  
Adams.Miss Helen B. Wright and her  
mother, Mrs. Wright, returned Tues-  
day to Wheeler Heights after a visit  
of several weeks with friends at  
Highland.Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Peterson of  
Durago, Colo., who are visiting at  
the home of the former's sister, Mrs.  
Howard Hill, together with their  
daughter, Miss Bertha Peterson, and  
Mrs. Hill, are spending the week at  
Avalon, Catalina Island.Captain Werner Tornroth, Captain  
of the Bureau of Navigation stationed  
at Manila, stopped off in Sierra Madre  
Tuesday on his way from the Grand  
Canyon to Manila. He brought with  
him a niece of Mrs. Blake who is  
staying at Mrs. Ferry's.**Substitution**Old Mother Hubbard  
She went to the cupboard,  
As always had been her habit.  
"I can't afford beef,"  
She murmured with grief;  
So she made her poor dog a welsh  
rabbit. —Chicago Tribune.**A New English Song**Oh, father, dear father, come home  
with me now,  
They've put gentle mother in jail;  
For o'er the Prime Minister's crimi-  
nal brow  
She, deftly, inverted a pail;  
Then scattered some Cabinet Mem-  
bers in flight  
With ancient tomatoes, undressed,  
And handed a Bishop a good woman's  
right  
About where his pants met his vest.  
They juggled her; but don't feel dis-  
graced, Dad, I pray:  
It took six policemen to lead her  
away. —Life.A well-known society young man  
of Buffalo recently shocked one of  
his lady friends by his ignorance of  
history. It was after a dinner party  
at his house, and she was telling him  
what she had learned in her private  
history class. One thing led to an-  
other, and all the time he was get-  
ting into deeper water. At last she  
surprised him by inquiring: "Now,  
tell me, Mr. —, what are the  
Knights of the Bath?" He stam-  
mered for a while, and finally blurted  
out: "Why, Saturday nights, I sup-  
pose."**Reciprocity**She sewed a button on my coat,  
For I was far from mother.  
"Tis such a thing," she said to me,  
"As I'd do for my brother."She looked so pretty sitting there,  
I quickly stooped and kissed her.  
"Tis such a thing," I said to her,  
"As I'd do to my sister!"  
—Smart Set."Women vote! Never, sir, with  
my consent." "Why not?" "What!  
And have my wife losing thirty-dollar  
hats to other women on the election!"  
—Boston Transcript.Choice line of nursery stock  
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Fascinating! Why, lots of girls in  
our church have married men they  
hated, just to get one kiss from the  
rector after the ceremony.—Puck."The American eagle," said the  
orator, "knows no fear." "Yes," re-  
plied Mr. Sirius Barker, "the Ameri-  
can eagle is mighty lucky. Any bird  
that isn't good enough to eat has a  
right to congratulate itself these  
days."—Washington Star.



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**BY THE WAY**

Financial returns to the promoters of aviation week seem to indicate that flying is a sport that has horse racing beaten forty ways. And there are few or none of the drawbacks which put the kibosh on the racing game. With an annual aviation contest it is likely that more money would be drawn into this vicinity and put into legitimate channels of circulation than was ever brought by the Arcadia layout, not to mention the more desirable class of visitors attracted.

The editor of this paper feels inclined to regard it as something of a compliment that he was slighted when the press passes were distributed for the little soiree of Monday evening. In addition it has saved the bother of framing up an alibi, to which a good many have been put.

At last reports most of the editors of the country were still awaiting a bargain sale of airships when they will be marked down from \$10,000 to not more than \$9,999.

Governor Hughes says he is through in New York and will not run again. If the California promotion committee really wants to accomplish something for the everlasting good of the state let them transplant him to California and give us a chance to put him in Gillett's seat.

So far as we have heard, every one in Sierra Madre favors municipal ownership of the water plant. Let's not get so anxious over it that we will get to fighting over the method and defeat the whole proposition as they did in Pasadena.

Up to date the negotiations for the municipalizing of the water plant have been the most harmonious on record for any public enterprise in Sierra Madre. Maledictions on the man who disturbs the situation by stirring up strife.

**WHAT NOT TO PRINT**

Graphic.—Why should a daily newspaper, enjoying access to a majority of the best homes in this community, read, presumably, by the younger members of the household, as well as by their elders, deliberately take advantage of the trust reposed in it by subscribers and insidiously seek to vitiate the morals of the adolescent by printing

nasty details of divorce court happenings that never should be given publicity? If any good purpose were to be served by the publication of salacious pabulum of this nature, there might be excuse for its appearance in a family journal, although the judicious could not help grieving thereat; but the mind vainly gropes for a sound reason why pornographic matter, unfit for any self-respecting adult, youth or maid to read, should be thrust under their eyes, willy nilly.

These reflections are induced by the publication in the Times one day this week of a vile story concerning the domestic differences of a husband and wife, who, in a suit for divorce, had filed charges and counter charges against each other that for disgusting particulars could hardly be more revolting. We particularize the Times, because we are sorry to say, it is given to this sort of lechery, seemingly exulting in the opportunity to print without pruning anything that appears of record in the courts. We submit that two lines, stating that Sarah Doe and Richard Roe had applied for divorce, should suffice, where the details are too repulsive to dwell upon. There is no harm in expiating upon the humorous features, such as occurred in the poetic Hilda Young case several weeks ago, for that is legitimate plunder, and by dwelling upon the grotesque a lesson may be taught to foolish persons who air their silly quarrels in court; but the line should be strictly drawn between comedy and carnality by every newspaper having a wholesome regard for its obligation to the public.

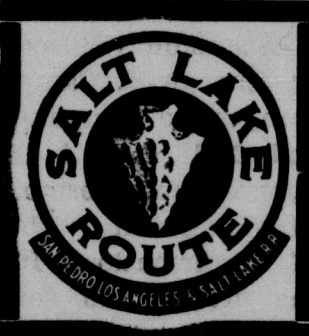
What is the editor for, but to intervene between the good and the bad, to exercise his judgment as to what shall be printed and what excised in a story turned in by a member of the staff? Never, in nearly thirty years of newspaper experience, have we noted, in any other newspaper in the country, so utter a disregard for the decencies of publication as is evidenced by the Times, and our study of that sheet extends over a nine years' course of reading. In other communities we have known of publishers being horsewhipped and ordered out of town for daring to insult the people by a continual fare of grossness and impurities. His advanced age may have spared the editor of the Times from riding a rail, but septuagenarianism does not excuse him for his sins of commission; rather should he be foremost in setting a good example to his younger colleagues.

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By leaving on the 8:35 a. m. train, one may have two hours at Riverside and a similar time at Redlands, and return home the same evening if desired.

A longer stay will be profitable, however, that more of the sights may be seen.

The round trip fare is \$2.75 to San Bernardino, with stop-over, as described, and a return limit of 8 days. On Sundays the fare is \$1.75, good for return same day.

From San Bernardino to Redlands and return by electric line is 35 cents. Full information and tickets may be had at any ticket office for these

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## CITY DIRECTORY

## CITY OFFICIALS

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Trustees meet in City Hall on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 7:30 p.m.

## PUBLIC LIBRARY

Located on west Central ave. Open on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday afternoons, and on Monday and Thursday evenings. Reading room open Sunday afternoons.  
President of association, H. J. Potter; Vice President, Mrs. L. C. Torrance; Secretary, Mrs. H. G. Flint; Treasurer, Mrs. G. H. Lettau; Auditor, L. C. Torrance.

## CHURCHES

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL—Central avenue, at Hermosa. Rev. James M. Campbell, D. D., pastor. Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; morning service, 11 a.m.; Christian Endeavor Society, 6:30 p.m.; evening service, 7:30 p.m.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION (Episcopal)—Corner of Baldwin and Laura Avenues. The Rev. George H. Cornell, D. D., Rector. Residence, the Rectory. Phone Black 70. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Prayer and sermon 11 a.m. Evening prayer and address 5 p.m. Holy communion first Sunday in the month, 11 a.m. Other Sundays and greater festivals, 7:30 a.m.

ROMAN CATHOLIC—Baldwin and Olive avenues. Rev. M. W. Barth in charge. Services at 9:00 a.m. Sunday.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE—Sunday School at 10 a.m.; morning service at 11 a.m., Woman's Club house.

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SIERRA MADRE LODGE, F. & A. M. (U. D.)—Stated meetings first Tuesday of each month. All visiting Masons welcome. Club House Hall.

## THE MAIL

ARRIVES 10:15 a.m. LEAVES 7:50 a.m.  
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6:05 a.m.	12:05 p.m.	6:10 a.m.	1:10 p.m.
6:25 a.m.	12:25 p.m.	7:00 a.m.	1:42 p.m.
7:05 a.m.	1:05 p.m.	7:42 a.m.	2:10 p.m.
8:05 a.m.	2:05 p.m.	8:10 a.m.	3:10 p.m.
9:05 a.m.	3:05 p.m.	9:10 a.m.	4:10 p.m.
10:05 a.m.	4:05 p.m.	10:10 a.m.	5:10 p.m.
	5:05 p.m.	11:10 a.m.	6:10 p.m.
	5:30 p.m.		6:30 p.m.
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	8:05 p.m.		10:05 p.m.
	11:30 p.m.		

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## SANTA FE ROUTE

## SANTA ANITA STATION

Arrive from east and leave for Los Angeles:

No. 1, Overland—7:37 a.m.  
No. 41, Local—9:14 a.m., carries mail.  
No. 47, Local—12:13 p.m.  
No. 45, Local—6:59 p.m., stop to let passengers off.  
No. 3, Limited—5:12 p.m., stop for passengers from the east.  
No. 43, Local—4:55 p.m., carries mail.  
Arrive from Los Angeles and leave for the east:  
No. 40, Local—8:17 a.m., carries mail.  
No. 42, Local—9:13 a.m.  
No. 4, Limited—10:38 a.m., stops for overland passengers.  
No. 46, Local—2:42 p.m.  
No. 44, Local—5:12 p.m., carries mail.  
No. 48, Local—7:29 p.m.  
No. 2, Overland—8:41 p.m., stop for overland passengers.

## ADVERTISED LETTERS

The following letters are uncalled for at the Sierra Madre postoffice for the current week:

Mrs. Edward Hansforth  
Mr. Harry Richards  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walker  
Mrs. Anthony Joyce  
Mrs. E. F. Johnson  
Sr. Ed. Felix Laramiegiu, Primo.

In calling for the above please say "advertised."

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Don't forget to phone the News when you know an item of interest.

Boost the town by buying it at home

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Los Angeles consumes almost 700,000 boxes of apples annually.

Bean growers of Ventura county report increasing demand for the limas still held in stock.

Imperial Valley has enough home grown cotton seed to plant 20,000 acres the coming season.

Endeavor is being made in Riverside county to secure the tuberculin test on all cows in the county.

Arroyo Grande, San Luis Obispo county, will vote upon incorporation for that town on April 11.

One enthusiastic Imperial Valley cotton grower maintains that crop will yet bring to the valley a million and a half dollars.

An Imperial broom corn producer has perfected a machine for seeding broom corn. Growers have had a most profitable year.

The new alfalfa meal mill has begun operations at El Centro, Imperial county, and the trial day's run showed eight tons of meal produced.

The California Fruit Growers' Exchange will withdraw permission to use the Sunkist trade mark from any association which markets low grade fruit under it.

The expense of conducting the horticultural commission of San Bernardino county, including its fumigating operations, aggregates nearly \$15,000 a month. Of course most of this is returned by the orchardists.

A commission firm submits figures which it claims are correct showing that lima beans stored in various Southern California points aggregate 575,000 bags this year as compared with 473,000 bags last year or 451,000 bags the year preceding.

## TUMBLER

California Cultivator.—An organ of the eastern fruit dealers, the Packer, has been very bitter in its attacks on the California fruit industry, showing through correspondence and alleged circulars that lands are held at too high prices and that practically all the orange growers are bitterly disappointed, suffering from losses and willing to sell out at reduced price, and so forth, ad infinitum. Now come the local papers published in the orange districts with a vast fund of "information" from successful growers who have made immense profits which paid big interest on high valuations—all of which, of course, is duly filed away to be used on the Ways and Means Committee of Congress the moment the next tariff fight is sprung. It is unfortunate that these figures are given forth as they are, because they are not averages and they are not needed to convince people of the wealth of a great industry when it is properly handled.

"Have you ever heard the story of Algy and the Bear?" asked a boy of his father. "It's very short. 'Algy met a bear; the bear was bulgy; the bulge was Algy.'"—London News.

News want ads bring good returns.

"This advertisement savors of pessimism." "What's that?" "Gentleman offers to exchange a Christmas present for something useful."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

## GOING TO BUILD?

Perhaps you would like to but don't see your way clear. You hate to pay rent—it seems such a useless waste of money, and yet you haven't sufficient capital to buy a lot and build. What can you do? Buy the lot and then let us make you a building loan on which the exact amount and number of your monthly payments are definitely stated. The expense of negotiating this form of loan is no greater, and often less, with an ordinary first mortgage proposition, and you repay

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## CLASSIFIED COLUMN

Advertising inserted under this heading at the rate of five cents per line for each insertion.

## FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Burro, cart, harness and saddle. Good traveler, not noisy. C. P. Sparks, Ramona Ave., or inquire at lumber yard. 17

FOR SALE—Piano. Will take a horse in part payment. Send particulars to P. O. Box 470, Pasadena. 17\*

FOR SALE—Space for moneyback ads in the News classified column. Five cents per line. Use the telephone—Black 42.

## WANTED

WANTED—200 loads or any part thereof of barnyard manure. F. R. Yerxa, Villa Pilar ranch. 17

## FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Office desk room. Apply to A. S. Mead or J. A. Madden. 12tf

## MISCELLANEOUS

EXCHANGE WANTED—Long Beach for Sierra Madre. A cosy, 5-room Long Beach cottage, modern, corner lot, near school, street car and beach. Price \$1,600. Want above Central Ave., Sierra Madre, a small lot to \$600, or cottage and lot even exchange. Will give good trade if suited. Address "Owner," 380 Junipero Ave., Long Beach, Cal. 17

FOR EXCHANGE—Corner lot on ocean front at Sunset Beach. Want Sierra Madre, improved or unimproved. A. S. Mead. 17

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Sierra Madre Water Company will be held at the Town Hall, Sierra Madre, Los Angeles County, California, at 7:30 o'clock, p. m., on February 10, 1910, for the purpose of receiving the annual reports of the Treasurer, Auditor and President, the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting and the election of directors for the ensuing year.

H. G. FLINT,

Secretary.

Sierra Madre, Cal., January 24, 1910.

Buy your grain and hay from the Sierra Madre Feed & Fuel Co.

Private John Allen has a favorite story about a Georgia bishop. One of the members of the bishop's church met the reverend gentleman on Sunday afternoon and was horrified to find the bishop carrying a shotgun. "My dear bishop," he protested, "I am shocked to find you shooting on Sunday. The apostles did not go shooting on Sunday." "No," replied the bishop, "they did not. The shooting was very bad in Palestine and they went fishing instead."

## THE PRIMARY BUZZ-SAW

California Weekly.—Gentlemen in political life hardly know what to make of the new direct primary law. As they stand and look at it revolving with a musical whirr peculiarly its own they are not certain whether its edge is toothed or not, but they hesitate to test it with the finger for fear that it may be. The California primary law is not true blue all the way through. It was enacted by a legislature that did not want any direct primary law and one that only yielded to the superior force of an aroused public sentiment that demanded a direct primary law of some sort, but had no clear idea of what such a primary law ought to be like. Something of the nature of a direct primary was therefore enacted, but it is full of hitches and hindrances that make against its frictionless operation. That it will have to be tinkered radically at the next session of the legislature everybody admits, and it is expected that this year's use of it will show how.

What is the essential spirit of the primary?

A great deal hangs on the answer to this question. There are those who affect to believe that the spirit of the primary law is that, in August next, the men of California, Republicans and Democrats, will go to the polls and, out of the candidates who have volunteered to serve the people in official capacity, without suggestions from any source or leadership of any kind, and with no previous effort from any quarter to bring out the best candidates that they may be impressed into the public service (against their wishes it may be), without any of these aids for reaching right conclusions, the aforesaid men of California will, at the primary election, make up for their respective parties the best tickets that can be named to be voted for at the general election. That, they contend, is the spirit of the new primary law. It is no such thing. The spirit of the primary contemplates that there will be a general public interest in naming the party tickets; that groups of men will rally around their friends and support their candidates before the voters of their respective parties; that other groups of men, being little satisfied with any of the candidates who have volunteered their services, will consult together and look about them for better men to fill such positions and, finding them, will persuade them to allow their names to go before the voters of their party and will campaign for them before the primary as before the final election. Some of these groups of men within the respective political parties may be small and some of them may be large, as in the case of the Lincoln-Roosevelt Republican League. When primary election day comes it will be in the light of all this voluntary and associated aid and leadership that the voters of each party will go into their voting booths and there make choice of all the suggestions and appeals that have been made to them. That, then, is the "spirit of the primary" and any portion of a political party less than the whole has a right and a duty to hold such conferences, conventions, caucuses (or whatever else they may wish to call them), as they desire for suggesting to the people such candidates as they favor.

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## NEW SCHOOL HISTORIES

According to advices from the office of the state school superintendent, by cutting the royalty in half, the price to pupils of the new California State Series Brief History, to be issued next week, will be 80 cents, a saving of 15 cents on the former book. A California supplement will not be printed with this book as it is believed that proper attention can best be given the history of the Golden State by incorporating a generous amount of California history in the Introductory Text which is used by many pupils who leave school before taking up the advanced book.

The new history is a briefer edition of the old one, is written by the same author, the historian John Bach McMaster, and the change is made because a shorter and simpler book on United States history was demanded by the teachers of the state. The old book has been in use for more than six years. The new one will not be changed for at least eight years.

The two books are so similar in style and matter that they may be used in class together by a skillful teacher. Superintendents and teachers are notified that they have a year or more in which to make the change. School authorities are urged to make changes so carefully and gradually that none of the old books need be thrown away, so that no child having the old book will be required to buy a new one.

There is a strong and commendable movement in this state for pay-

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ing greater attention to its early history. It is altogether fitting and proper that a good deal more attention be devoted to California history than has been given by the schools in the past. A course of study that requires children of this state to devote much time and energy to the particular details of the early life of Massachusetts or Virginia, is not well balanced when it pays little or no attention to the romantic story of the Missions or the fascinating tales of the Argonauts.

The exploits of the Russians, and of Portola and Sutter and Fremont and many others give California an inspiring wealth of historical material. The school people will do well to find some way to present this fascinating story to the boys and girls before they pass out of the schools.

A nice lot of new Amoskeag Gingham in checks, stripes and plain patterns and they are only 10c a yard this next week. Come in and look at them. O. K. Cash Dept. Store.

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BUY YOUR implements, Buggies, wagons, windmills, engines, harness and automobiles from us—LIBERAL CREDIT. Best quality of goods, LOWEST PRICES, Prompt shipments. Depend on us for your supplies—ORDER BY MAIL. Save time and money. Everything guaranteed. CATALOGUE FREE. Traveling salesman will call if you wish—GIVE US A TRIAL, no matter what you want. Before you buy, WRITE US. WE SAVE YOU MONEY. DEAL DIRECT with the house doing the largest business and selling the best goods.



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California



## NOTICE OF SALE OF FRANCHISE

Notice is hereby given that an application has been made to the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre for the sale by the said City of Sierra Madre, according to law, of a franchise granting the right and privilege to the successful bidder for the same, and his or its successors or assigns, to construct, operate and maintain for a period of fifty (50) years underground conduits, mains, and gaspipes in the public streets, alleys and thoroughfares in the said City of Sierra Madre for the purpose of conducting and carrying gas for light, heat and power; provided, however, that the said underground conduits, mains, and gaspipes shall at all times be constructed, erected, installed, operated and maintained, and the said right, privilege and franchise is hereby granted and shall be at all times exercised and enjoyed in accordance with, and subject to, each and every one of the terms and conditions in this notice and not otherwise.

That the grantee of said franchise, or his or its successors or assigns, shall in good faith lay out and expend for material and labor used and performed in the construction, institution, erection and installation of said underground conduits, mains and gaspipes in said City of Sierra Madre, for the purpose of carrying gas for light, heat and power the sum of not less than fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) within one year from and after the grant of this franchise.

And it shall be the duty of the grantee of said franchise, or his or its successors or assigns, to file with the City Clerk of the said City of Sierra Madre within ten days after the expiration of said period of one year after the grant of said franchise a statement verified by the oath of said grantee, or his or its successors or assigns, or by the oath of the manager or presiding officer of the said grantee, or his or its successors or assigns, showing in detail the sums expended for such material and labor by said grantee, or his or its successors or assigns, during the preceding period of one year, and any failure or omission to pay out and expend for said labor and material the full sum herein above required to be paid out and expended within said period of one year, or any refusal or omission to file within the time herein prescribed the said verified statement, shall ipso facto work a forfeiture of said franchise and of all rights thereunder, to the said City of Sierra Madre.

That the said grantee, or his or its successors or assigns, shall so construct, lay, install and erect all underground conduits, mains, and gaspipes so that the same shall, in no case, be less than eighteen (18) inches below the surface of the said streets, alleys, and thoroughfares in the said City of Sierra Madre, the said distance of eighteen (18) inches to be below the surface of the said streets, alleys, and thoroughfares in accordance with the official grades established thereon.

That it shall be lawful for the said grantee, or his or its successors or assigns, to make all necessary and needful excavations and openings in any of the streets, alleys, or thoroughfares of the said city in which said grantee, or his or its successors or assigns, may desire to place such pipes or conduits, or connections thereof, for the purpose of carrying gas; provided, however, that said grantee or his or its successors or assigns shall submit plans and specifications for the construction of such conduits to the said Board of Trustees, which plans and specifications must be approved by the said Board of Trustees before work in connection therewith is commenced; and provided further that all work under said franchise that shall be done and performed upon the public streets, alleys and thoroughfares in excavating and repairing the same shall be in strict compliance with the rules or ordinances which have been, or may hereafter be adopted by the said Board of Trustees of the said city, and under the direction and supervision and to the satisfaction of the Street Superintendent of the said city.

That where work is done under said franchise said grantee, or his or its successors or assigns, shall, forthwith upon the completion of said work, restore the

public streets, alleys, and thoroughfares that have been excavated or disturbed, to the same order and condition in which they were prior to the commencement of such work, and in compliance with such rules or ordinances which have been or may be hereafter adopted by the Board of Trustees concerning the same, and the surface thereof shall be securely supported so as not to impair or hinder the use or enjoyment by the public of such streets, alleys and thoroughfares.

That upon the grading or re-grading, or other improvement of any of said streets, alleys, or thoroughfares, said underground conduits, mains, and gaspipes shall be re-laid so as to be not less than eighteen (18) inches below the surface of the said streets, alleys, or thoroughfares, at the expense of said grantee or his or its successors or assigns. And in case said grantee or his or its successors shall fail to re-lay said underground conduits, mains, and gaspipes as hereinbefore set forth, and under the direction and to the satisfaction of the said Street Superintendent of the said city for a period of ten (10) days after the service thereof upon said grantee or his or its successors or assigns, or upon the manager or agent of said grantee or his or its successors or assigns, in the said City of Sierra Madre, of notice by the said Street Superintendent so to do, then he, the said Street Superintendent, shall have the right to enter upon such streets, alleys, and thoroughfares and do and perform the work of re-laying said conduits, mains, and gaspipes, upon being directed to do so by the said Board of Trustees; provided, that if such work is so done by the said Street Superintendent, the said Street Superintendent shall keep an itemized account of the cost of said work, which the said grantee of said franchise, or his or its successors or assigns, by the acceptance of the right and privilege hereby granted, and in consideration thereof, agrees to pay immediately upon presentation to the said grantee or his or its successors or assigns, or to such managers or agents stationed in the said City of Sierra Madre, and a failure or refusal by said grantee of said franchise, or his or its successors or assigns, to pay for the cost of such work done and performed by the said Street Superintendent, shall ipso facto work a forfeiture of said franchise and of all rights thereunder, to the said City of Sierra Madre.

That said grantee or his or its successors or assigns shall construct all necessary flumes and culverts for the free passage of water under or over the pipes, mains, and conduits of said grantee, or his or its successors or assigns, and that all such flumes and culverts shall be constructed in accordance with the plans and specifications approved by the said Board of Trustees and to the satisfaction of the said Street Superintendent.

That the said City of Sierra Madre expressly reserves the right to grade or re-grade, pave or re-pave, macadamize or re-macadamize, sewer or re-sewer, plank or re-plank, gutter or re-gutter, curb or re-curb, repair, improve or oil any of the streets, alleys, or thoroughfares in the said City of Sierra Madre, or to lay gas, water, or other pipes thereon, such work to be done so as to injure said grantee's, or his or its successors' or assigns' conduits, mains, and gaspipes as little as possible.

That said grantee or his or its successors or assigns shall pay to the City of Sierra Madre, during the life of said franchise, all licenses that are now or may be hereafter required by the said city for the carrying on of the business of supplying gas for heat, light, and power within said City of Sierra Madre.

That said grantee, or his or its successors or assigns, shall, during the life of said franchise pay to the City of Sierra Madre, in lawful money of the United States, two (2) per cent of the gross annual receipts of such grantee or his or its successors or assigns, arising from the use, operation, and possession of said franchise. No percentage shall be paid for the first five (5) years succeeding the date of said franchise, but thereafter such percentage shall be paid annually; and in the event said payment is not made as aforesaid, said franchise

shall be forfeited. It shall be the duty of said grantee of said franchise or his or its successors or assigns to file with the City Clerk of the said City of Sierra Madre at the expiration of six (6) years from the date of the granting of said franchise, and at the expiration of each and every year thereafter, during the life of said franchise, a statement verified by the oath of said grantee or his or its successors or assigns, or by the oath of the manager or presiding officer of said grantee or his or its successors or assigns, showing the total gross receipts and gross earnings collected or received or in any manner gained or derived by the said grantee or his or its successors or assigns during the preceding twelve (12) months from all sales of gas to all consumers thereof within the said City of Sierra Madre; and within ten (10) days after the time for filing the verified statement it shall be the duty of said grantee, or his or its successors or assigns, to pay to the Treasurer of the said City of Sierra Madre the aggregate sum of the said percentage upon the amount of the gross annual receipts arising from the use, operation, or possession of said franchise, determined and computed in the manner hereinbefore provided. And any neglect, omission or refusal by the said grantee, or his or its successors or assigns, to file said verified statement, or to pay the said percentage of the said gross annual receipts at the times or in the manner hereinbefore provided, shall ipso facto work a forfeiture of the franchise hereby granted, and of all rights thereunder to the said City of Sierra Madre.

That the work of constructing said gas plant or system and the work of constructing, installing, erecting, and laying said underground conduits, mains, and gaspipes shall be commenced in good faith within not more than four (4) months from the date of the granting of this franchise, and shall be continuously prosecuted thereafter in good faith and without unnecessary intermission or delay; and the said work of construction, erection, and installation as aforesaid shall be completed within not more than three (3) years thereafter; that if said work be not so commenced, prosecuted or completed within the times or in the manner so specified, said franchise shall ipso facto be forfeited to the said City of Sierra Madre.

That the said grantee, or his or its successors or assigns, shall not sell, transfer, or assign any of the rights or privileges granted by the said franchise, except by a duly executed instrument in writing, filed in the office of the City Clerk of the said City of Sierra Madre; provided further, that nothing in said franchise shall be considered to grant to said grantee of such franchise or his or its successors or assigns, any right to sell, transfer, or assign said franchise or any of the rights or privileges granted thereby except in the manner aforesaid.

That the said grantee of said franchise shall, within five (5) days after such franchise is awarded, file with the City Clerk of the said City of Sierra Madre a bond running to the said City of Sierra Madre with at least two (2) good and sufficient sureties, to be approved by the said Board of Trustees, in the penal sum of three thousand dollars (\$3000.00), conditioned that said grantee, or his or its successors or assigns, shall well and truly observe, fulfill, and perform each and every condition of said franchise, and that in case of any breach of condition of such franchise, the whole amount of the penal sum therein named shall be taken and deemed to be liquidated damages and shall be recoverable from the principal and sureties upon said bond.

That any neglect, failure, or refusal of the grantee, or his or its successors or assigns, to comply with any of the conditions of said franchise, shall, upon such neglect, failure or refusal, ipso facto effect a forfeiture thereof, and the said city, by its Board of Trustees, may thereupon declare said franchise forfeited and may exclude said grantee, his or its successors or assigns from having the use of the streets, alleys and thoroughfares of the said city under the said franchise, and said grantee, his or its successors or assigns, shall thereupon immediately surrender all rights in and to the same, and said franchise shall be forfeited and shall remain null and void and of no effect.

That sealed bids in writing will be received by the City Clerk of the said City

of Sierra Madre, who is ex-officio Clerk of this Board of Trustees, up to eight o'clock P. M. of the 12th day of March, A. D. 1910.

At the said time and place the governing body of the said City of Sierra Madre, to-wit, the said Board of Trustees, shall proceed to open said bids and at the same time of so opening said bids the President of the said Board of Trustees of said city will proceed to hear and receive the bids of any responsible person, firm or corporation present or represented, who may bid for said franchise or privilege a sum not less than ten per cent above the highest sealed bid therefor, and said bid so made may be raised not less than ten per cent by any responsible bidder; and said bidding may be so continued to be made and bids continue to be received by the said governing body through its said President, until finally said franchise shall be struck off, sold and awarded by said governing body through its said President to the said highest bidder therefor, in gold coin of the United States. Each sealed bid shall be accompanied with cash or a certified check payable to the Treasurer of said City of Sierra Madre for the full amount of said bid, and no sealed bid shall be considered unless said cash or check is enclosed therewith and the successful bidder shall deposit at least ten per cent of the amount of his bid with the Clerk of said City of Sierra Madre before the franchise shall be struck off to him; and if he shall fail to make such deposit immediately, then his bid will not be received and shall be considered as void and the said franchise shall then and there be again offered for sale to the bidder who shall make the highest cash bid therefor, subject to the same conditions as to deposit as above mentioned; said procedure shall be had until said franchise is struck off, sold and awarded to a bidder who shall make the necessary deposit of at least ten per cent of the amount of his bid therefor. Said successful bidder shall deposit with the Clerk of the said City of Sierra Madre within twenty-four (24) hours after the acceptance of his bid, the remaining ninety per cent of the amount thereof, and in case he or it shall fail to do so, then the said deposit theretofore made will be forfeited and the said award of said franchise shall be void and the said franchise will then and there, by said governing body, be again offered for sale to the highest bidder therefor, in the same manner and under the same restrictions as hereinbefore provided; and in case said bidder shall fail to deposit with the Clerk of said City of Sierra Madre the remaining ninety per cent of his bid within twenty-four (24) hours after its acceptance or award to him, the said franchise shall be set aside and the deposit theretofore made by him shall be forfeited and no further proceedings for the sale of said franchise shall be had unless the same shall be re-advertised and again offered for sale.

Dated this 27th day of January, A. D. 1910.

By order of the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre.

J. A. MADDEN,  
City Clerk.

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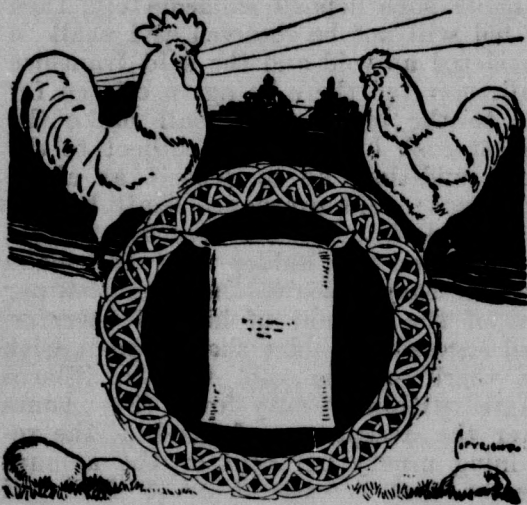
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### Belasco

George Broadhurst's famously successful play, "The Man of the Hour," will have its first stock presentation on any stage at the Belasco theater Monday night. "The Man of the Hour" has been selected by Mr. Broadhurst and the management of the Belasco as the best play with which to inaugurate the season of the Broadhurst dramatic products. The play, which is familiar to hundreds of theater goers of this city, will afford really great opportunities for the Belasco players. The role of Alwyn Bennett, the young mayor, will give Lewis S. Stone's friends and admirers a chance to see him in a part for which he is ideally suited, both physically and artistically. Thais Magrane will have the role of Dallas Wainwright. The two Tammany politicians, Horgan, the boss, and Phelan, the alderman, will be respectively played by James Corrigan and William Yerance. Mr. Corrigan has been brought to Los Angeles especially to interpret the role of the political chieftian of the play.

The performance of "The Man of the Hour" will introduce to the Belasco patrons Miss Eileen Errol, a new member of the stock company, who has just concluded an engagement as leading woman with Klaw & Erlanger's "Round-Up" company. Last season Miss Errol was the leading woman of "The Lion and the Mouse" company.

### Majestic

The Kirke La Shelle production of "The Virginian" comes to the Majestic theater, Los Angeles, next week. It has been one of the most talked of and most generously praised plays of recent production, and one of the most deserving. The same accounts lay special stress upon the wholesomeness of the play, its candor, its open air charm and, above all, to the individuality which an exceptionally good acting company have given to the characters. The part of the Virginian will be played by William L. Gibson, who is an ideal cowboy, both in appearance and action. "The Virginian" is a dramatization of Owen Wister's famous novel of the same name, by Mr. Wister and the late Kirke La Shelle, and is a truthful picture of life as it existed in the Wyoming cattle country in the early '80's.

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